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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN ASSISTANCE TO AFGHAN REFUGEE
AND BANGLADESHI FLOOD VICTIMS

REF: CANBERRA 2438 (NOTAL)

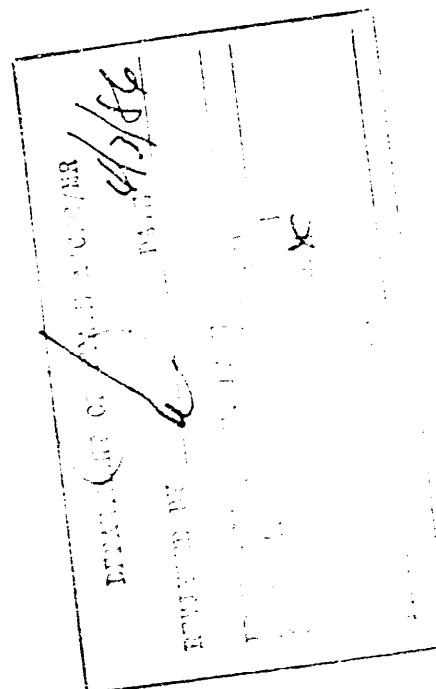
1. FOREIGN MINISTER BILL HAYDEN JULY 24 ANNOUNCED
GRANTS OF ADOL 140,000 FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES AND
ADOL 25,000 FOR FLOOD VICTIMS IN BANGLADESH
(ADOL EQUALS .83 USDOL).

2. THE AUSTRALIAN DONATION FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES
IS TOWARDS THE 1984 PROGRAM OF THE ICRC FOR AFGHAN
REFUGEES IN PAKISTAN. IN AUSTRALIAN FY 1983-84,
IN ADDITION TO THE ICRC GRANT, AUSTRALIA HAS PROVIDED
ADOL 5.13 MILLION IN FOOD AID THROUGH THE WORLD
FOOD PROGRAM (REFTEL) AND ADOL 1.23 MILLION IN THE
FORM OF A DRILLING RIG AND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND
SERVICES AS PART OF A UNHCR PROGRAM TO BENEFIT
AFGHAN REFUGEES IN PAKISTAN.

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3. THE AUSTRALIAN DONATION FOR FLOOD VICTIMS IN
BANGLADESH IS IN RESPONSE TO AN APPEAL BY THE
LEAGUE OF RED CROSS SOCIETIES FOR THE 100,000
PEOPLE MOST AFFECTED AMONG THE 2 MILLION FLOOD
VICTIMS. NESEN



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